

HORSEMAN HAT-TRICK SLAYS TIRED DULWICH

At last, Wycombe realised what the idea of the game is - to score goals. After a slow start they moved into top gear and crushed Hamlet. Despite the heavy defeat, Dulwich look a vastly improved side.

Maskell. Not his usual game.

Rundle. Had a great game.

Gale. Had a great game.

Lailey. Played very well.

Delaney. Patchy, but in general effective.

Ward. Poor.

Worley. Good at times. A bit greedy.

Baker. Had a great game. Shooting very good again.

Faulkner. Showed little idea.

HORSEMAN. Man of the match. At long last the ball ran for him and he scored three beauties.

Anthony. Had a good game, best since his holidays.

Samuels. Had a very good game. Better playing at the back.

Referee: 8.

Dulwich Hamlet 0, Wycombe Wanderers 4

A HAT-TRICK by Tony Horseman and a fine opportunist effort by Anthony gave Wycombe an easy victory over a tired-looking Dulwich at Champion Hill on Tuesday.

After the first 20 minutes Wycombe were so much in command that it would have been no surprise to see the score doubled. Only in the first 20 minutes were Dulwich ever in the game, but they missed a couple of sitters and never recovered as Horseman began to rip them apart.

The architect of Wycombe's victory was Len Worley, who cracked a 26th-minute shot against the bar, and Anthony was on the spot to snap up a simple chance, with Dulwich goalkeeper Wakefield still on the ground. From that moment Wycombe dominated.

CLEVER LINK

Faulkner linked cleverly with Anthony, often flicking through headers from goal-kicks for the winger to chase.

Dulwich, however, came back into the game when Baker went off nursing an injured leg. Wycombe had a lucky escape as Boon headed over a Wyatt cross from beneath the bar, but they confirmed their superiority with another goal when substitute Samuels appeared.

Horseman had an easy task as the Dulwich defence failed to challenge and the result was no longer in doubt.

The Dulwich tactics were puzzling everyone. They played into Wycombe's hands by continuing their policy of leaving only Boon, Wyatt and Shearing upfield, even when two goals down.

This allowed Wycombe to grasp the initiative, and it was no surprise when Faulkner headed down for Horseman to slam goal No. 3 under the diving Wakefield in the 56th minute.

Wycombe were playing some fine football, moving the ball about freely on the large pitch, with Dulwich doing little to stop them.

HAT-TRICK

A Faulkner-Horseman move ended with Anthony shooting just wide, but Horseman completed his hat-trick with a well-taken goal a minute from the end.

Wycombe should have little trouble in beating Dulwich in the F.A. Cup at Loakes Park in two weeks' time, if the South London side continues in this slack vein.

Wycombe: Maskell, Rundle, Gale, Lailey, Delaney, Ward, Worley, Baker (sub.: Samuels), Faulkner, Horseman, Anthony.

Dulwich: Wakefield, Bailey, Smith, Roberts, Firmin, Shepherd, Wyatt, Blunt, Boon (sub.: Hay), Deadman, Shearing.